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Guiding Cable)

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Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.10(e) to consider the executed Declaration for this application as having been filed in the Office on September 25, 2006 and to accordingly withdraw the holding that the present application has been abandoned for failing to file such Declaration.

The holding of abandonment was communicated to applicant in a Notification of Abandonment dated April 2, 2006. The Notification stated that the holding of abandonment was due to a missing executed Declaration. The Office requested the executed Declaration in a Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 dated July 24, 2006.

However, applicant maintains that the executed Declaration was timely submitted with a Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35

U.S.C. 371, which was filed on September 25, 2006 using the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service of the United States Postal Service.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.10(e), therefore, the executed Declaration should be considered as having been filed on September 25, 2006. Moreover, since September 24, 2006 (the last day for responding to the July 24, 2006 Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371) was a Sunday, the filing of the executed Declaration on September 25, 2006 should be considered timely under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 21 and 37 CFR 1.7.

In support of this Petition, applicant further states as follows:

- (1) Applicant first became aware that the Office has no evidence of the receipt of the executed Declaration upon receiving the April 2, 2007 Notification of Abandonment. Applicant therefore submits that this Petition is being filed promptly after he became aware of these circumstances.
- (2) The number of the "Express Mail" mailing label was placed on the Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 prior to the original mailing by "Express Mail".
- (3) A copy of the originally filed Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371, including the executed Declaration, showing the number of the "Express Mail" mailing label thereon, and a copy of the "Express Mail" mailing label showing the "date in" (or "Date Accepted") as September 25, 2006 are submitted herewith.
- (4) The undersigned hereby declares that applicant's original Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and the executed

Declaration were deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service on September 25, 2006. The undersigned further declares that the copies of applicant's original Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and the "Express Mail" mailing label submitted herewith are true copies of the original documents.

For the foregoing reasons, applicant requests that the Commissioner withdraw the holding of abandonment in this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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